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Breaking News

Medicaid Provider Rate Increases Effective July 1, 2013

Medicaid provider rate increases were approved during the 2013-2014 legislative session and are effective July 1, 2013. The fee schedule located on the bottom of Provider Services web page of the Department's website is being updated to reflect the following rate increases.

A 2 percent rate increase is for most fee-for-service benefits. The identified services and increase levels for dental, home health and family planning are noted in the June Provider Bulletin.

Connect for Health Colorado Customer Service Number

Connect for Health Colorado has a new resource for customers seeking information about the marketplace and the services it will offer beginning October 1, 2013. To reach a customer service representative to get general information, Coloradans can call: 1-855-**PLANS-4-YOU** (1-855-752-6749).

New CBMS Website

Come on down . . . to the new <u>CBMS website</u>. The site is up and functional, and works best using Google Chrome or Internet Explorer version 9 or higher.

The Office of Information technology is still adding documents and information. Please take look at the site when you have a moment; you will enjoy it.

If you have questions about this site please contact Chris Lines at Chris.Lines @state.co.us.

Improve Long-Term Services and Supports

Case Management and Utilization Review Vendor

On July 1, 2013, the Single Entry Point agency contract for Home and Community Based Services and Long-Term Home Health case management and utilization review is scheduled to transition from InnovAge Longterm Care Options to Colorado Access, dba Access Long Term Supports Solutions (ALTSS).

The transition plan developed by the Department emphasizes the importance of protecting case manager-client relationships and services. Clients and providers with transition questions are encouraged to review the Frequently Asked Questions document posted on the Department's website.

If you would like more information, please contact Laura Kiel, SEP Agency Contract Manager.

Improve Health Outcomes

Updates to CORHIO's Meaningful Use web page have been made that will make accessing tools and additional resources easier. Click here to check it out.

Increase Enrollment

Medicaid Buy-In Programs

The Adult Buy-In Program

This program will allow eligible adults with disabilities to work or increase their hours and still access Medicaid benefits by paying a monthly premium based on their income. Enrolled Adults: 1,034

The Children's Buy-In Program

This program will allow families who previously earned too much to qualify for Medicaid to pay a monthly premium based on their income, and purchase Medicaid coverage for their child with a disability. Enrolled Children: 270

Adults without Dependent Children

The Adults without Dependent Children Program (AwDC) launched last year and was initially limited to 10,000 people; it is now limited to 15,000 people.

The AwDC program is authorized by HB 09-1293 and funded by a hospital provider fee and matching federal funds, and uses no general funds.

Enrolled Adults without Dependent Children: 12,462.

Accountable Care Collaborative (ACC) Contract Online

Effective immediately, providers can complete a Primary Care Medical Provider (PCMP) contract for the ACC program through the MMIS eligibility web portal.

Please click here for PCMP Contract Instructions, or visit ACC Provider Information.

If you would like more information, please contact Hanna Schum.

Payment Reform: 1281 Award Notification

We are excited to announce the award of a <u>HB12-1281</u> global payment pilot program to Rocky Mountain Health Plans (RMHP). This pilot will be implemented over the next 12 months and will

be limited to RMHPs' Regional Care Collaborative Organization (RCCO) geographic region. This pilot program will not interrupt any current Medicaid ACC program operations.

We are grateful for all of the proposals submitted by the RCCOs and their partners and are committed to developing further statewide ACC payment reform initiatives.

If you have questions or would like additional information please contact David Ducharme.

Medical Services Board

Public Rule Review Opportunities

Partners who are interested in a one-on-one discussion with Department staff about upcoming rules are invited to attend the Department's Public Rule Review Meeting. Information is available on the Public Rule Review Meetings web page. Reasonable accommodations for the meetings are provided upon request for persons with disabilities.

For more information or to be added to the Board email distribution list for updates on Board activities, please contact Judi Carey.

Employment Opportunities

Applying for state government jobs is easy. Applications are electronic, you will receive updates, and you do not need to answer any written questions until it is determined that you meet the minimum qualifications. Check out the website for state of Colorado jobs including the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing jobs.

The Department offers a competitive benefits package that includes the Public Employees' Retirement Account (PERA), a 401K or 457 retirement plan, health and dental insurance options, 10 holidays, and accrual of paid sick and vacation time.

The Department is a tobacco-free campus.

Enrollment

In May 2013 there were 719,585 clients enrolled in Medicaid and 68,506 clients enrolled in CHP+. Monthly numbers for enrollment and expenditures can be found on the Department's Budget Web page.



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